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1. The railway bridge over the Vistula River at Tczew (Q55/D59) which was damaged during the war has been temporarily repaired, but is still weak. Trains cross at a maximum speed of five km/hour. There is only one track, the other having been dismantled and removed by the Russians. The bridge is of riveted steel construction, 2.5 to 3 km. long; it rests on nine pillars, seven of concrete and bricks, and two of steel on wooden piles. It is 25 m. above water-level.
2. The road bridge over the Vistula River at Tczew was also damaged during the war. A wooden construction approximately 40 meters in length joins the aforementioned railway bridge and serves as a by-pass for vehicle and pedestrian traffic transferring to the existing part of the old road bridge.
3. The main road between Chojnice and Krolewicz (Konigsberg), built by the Germans during the war, runs at a distance of approximately five km. south of Tczew and crosses the Vistula at Knybawa. The Germans destroyed two pillars of this bridge during their retreat. The bridge was rebuilt to its original form in 1950. It is a wide, concrete construction, 25 meters above water-level, and has nine spans. An iron railing 1.2 meters high runs on each side of the bridge.

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